

the amendments that will be printed in the Journal tomorrow or on Monday that will serve the problem that the NPPD had with the bill. Basically what this bill does is allow the Power Review Board to waive public hearings if no one objects to the district petitioning to amend its charter. Now currently if a public power district wishes to amend its charter it must petition the Power Review Board and then the Power Review Board by statute must advertise in the newspapers the proposed district changes and the date of the hearing. Now that is run three weeks in the papers and then there are three weeks in which the public may respond. What 366 does is waive that hearing if no protests are filed. Now if someone does protest to the amended charter then there will be a hearing just as there always has been. Those at the committee when this bill was brought forth, the Rural Electric Association testified in favor of it as well as the Power Review Board and there was no opposition to the bill and I would just ask that you advance this bill to Select File where we may amend it and address the problems that NPPD does have with the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Are there any other comments on the bill? If not, the question is the advancement of LB 366. all those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: LB 366 is advanced from General File. We will move on to LB 412.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 412 offered by Senator Warner. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 18, referred to the Public Works Committee, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, the committee amended the bill to allow for vendors stations to collect an additional fee up to 10% of the total amount collected but not to exceed \$5.00. The committee felt that was a sufficient increase. I move for the adoption of the amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the adoption of the committee amendments. Please vote. Does anyone wish to vote on